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11 April 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief, DCI History Staff

SUBJECT: Preliminary Review of History Staff Draft Monograph, The Central Intelligence Agency and Overhead Reconnaissance: High Altitude Aircraft, 1954-1974

1. The DCI History Staff's program includes a classified monographic study, The Central Intelligence Agency and Overhead Reconnaissance: High Altitude Aircraft, 1954-1974. This work has now reached the stage at which review by the four directorates is needed. I would therefore be grateful if you would select at least one knowledgeable reader from your directorate to review this history.

2. This draft monograph carries a SECRET classification and is intended for circulation inside CIA. Its purpose is to provide an accurate and comprehensive account of CIA's entrance into overhead reconnaissance, a new kind of intelligence collection that has revolutionized our profession.

25X1 3. [redacted] began this work and produced the original draft during a rotational assignment on the History Staff from the Directorate of Science and Technology. After further research, the study has been edited 25X1 and revised by [redacted] a member of the History Staff since 1986 25X1 who has a Ph.D. in history [redacted] 25X1

4. I'll attach one copy of the draft history. Your reviewer's suggestions will be taken into account as we put this classified history into its final form. The entire manuscript will be submitted to the Agency's History Advisory Board for approval before we publish it.

5. It will be especially useful if your reviewer will (a) point out any errors; (b) identify significant omissions; and (c) spot any material too sensitive for the basic SECRET classification. (To keep the study at the SECRET level, a few elements of the study have received less than complete treatment.) We also welcome any other comments or suggestions (which may be

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written on the manuscript) concerning the manuscript's contents, style or structure. The illustrations are not yet in final form, and we would be pleased if anyone in your directorate could locate or steer us to any additional pictures that we might use.

6. I would be grateful if your reviewer could send me his or her response and the manuscript by no later than 15 May 1988. In the meantime, they can direct questions to [redacted] at the History Staff, 316 Ames Building [redacted]

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